

Deputies' Meeting

Monday, 10 November 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Wisner, Wolf, Amory, [REDACTED]

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General Smith:

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a. Noted that he had discussed [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] and stated that (1) our objectives in this area had not been made clear to [REDACTED] (2) the Review Committee of the PSB should address itself to preparing strategic directives, taking [REDACTED] first, followed by other areas; (3) he would discuss this matter with [REDACTED]. Mr. Wisner noted he believed that the [REDACTED] Report contained recommendations along these lines, particularly in regard to [REDACTED] and asked [REDACTED] to obtain a copy of this report and show it to the DCI. (NOTE: This has been done and the Director has seen [REDACTED])

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Mr. Wolf:

a. Briefly reported on plans for the new building and, after some discussion, undertook to discuss this matter further with the Bureau of the Budget in view of the Director's comments.

Mr. Wisner:

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a. Referred to a cable from [REDACTED] and recommended we not advise State or HICOG of the operation referred to therein until we were actually ready to proceed. The Director stated that (1) he saw no reason to advise State or HICOG of the operation unless we were successful; (2) he did not desire to undertake this operation unless [REDACTED] could give assurance that if it was blown no possibility would exist of any connection with CIA and/or the U.S. Government. (Subsequent to the meeting [REDACTED] and the case officer on this project discussed it with the DCI.)

b. Referred to a cable from [REDACTED] The Director noted he had seen this cable and stated that the groups mentioned therein would be ill advised to carry out their plans against [REDACTED] and our people on the spot should so inform them. Mr. Wisner said that FE had gone over this cable and among other considerations felt that the possibility existed that the reports were false and were being fed to the U.S. by the Communists to aggravate the present situation. After some further discussion, DD/P undertook to prepare a reply to the above cable.

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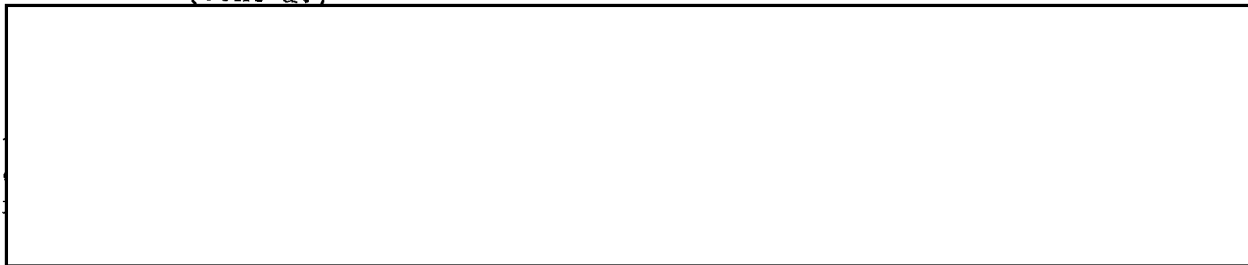
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Mr. Wisner (Cont'd.)



d. Briefly discussed [redacted] future plans. The Director noted he might be a good prospect to head NCFE or assume a responsible position with CIA. Mr. Wisner undertook to discuss this with him without making a definite commitment.

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Mr. Amory:

a. Raised the question of USCIB clearance for Cabot Lodge and, after some discussion, the Director stated we would await a request from either State or Defense on this matter.

b. Briefly discussed the oil cartel trial. The Director stated Mr. Dulles "should not appear in connection therewith" and directed that General Counsel obtain additional information on this matter.



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